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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

14. (Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein each of the IC design, the first level, and the second level include at least two layers.

15. (Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein each of the IC design, the first level and the second level include one layer.

39. (Amended) The method of claim 36, wherein each of the IC design, the first level, and the second level include at least two layers.

40. (Amended) The method of claim 36, wherein each of the IC design, the first level, and the second level include one layer.